

REMARKS

Claims 1-48 are pending in the application. Claims 1-42 are canceled herein.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for considering Applicant's previous response, and for reconfirming allowable subject matter in claims 43-48. In this Amendment, Applicant puts this case in condition for allowance by canceling rejected claims 1-42. Claims 43-48 are retained in original form.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner allow claims 43-48 and pass this application to issuance.

Applicant believes that no fees are due in connection with this Response. If any additional fees are in fact due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Howrey Deposit Account No. 08-3038 for the same referencing Howrey Dkt. No. 01339.0008.NPUS00.

Respectfully submitted,

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